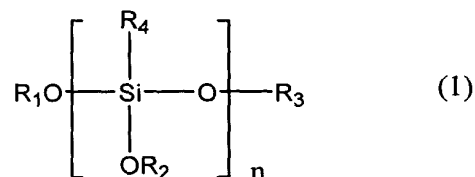


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A coated material, characterized in that, a surface is formed where a coating solution of a silane type ~~mainly~~ comprising a compound represented by the formula 1 is applied to a fiber material and hardened/solidified by the action of a ~~catalyst~~.  
catalyst



(~~in the formula 1, wherein~~ wherein R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> may be same or different and each is hydrogen or an alkyl group having 1-4 ~~carbon(s))~~ carbons and n = 2-10).

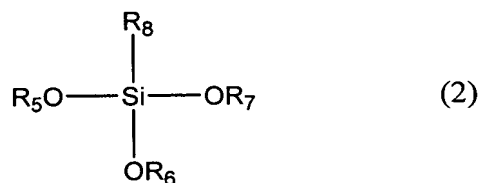
2. (Original) The coated material according to claim 1, wherein the surface is formed where, prior to the application of the coating solution, ~~the~~ said fiber material is dipped in alcohol and dried and ultraviolet ray is further irradiated thereto.

3. (Currently Amended) The coated material according to claim 1, wherein the surface is formed where a hydrolyzable organic metal compound is used as a catalyst for hardening/solidifying ~~the~~ said coating solution of a silane type.

4. (Currently Amended) The coated material according to claim 3, wherein the surface is formed where one or more organometallic ~~compound(s)~~ compounds selected from a the group consisting of titanium, zirconium, aluminum and tin is/are used as ~~the~~ said hydrolyzable organometallic compound.

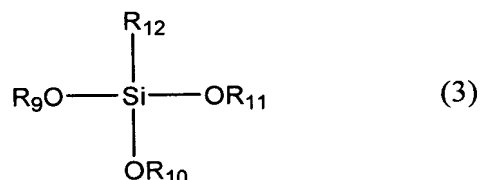
5. (Currently Amended) The coated material according to claim 1, wherein the surface is formed where, in addition to ~~the above-mentioned main component~~ formula 1, a coating solution containing a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 2 having three hydrolyzable

substituents and one unhydrolyzable substituent is used as the ~~said~~ coating solution of a silane  
~~type~~: type



(~~in the formula 2~~, wherein  $\text{R}_5$ ,  $\text{R}_6$  and  $\text{R}_7$  may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of  $\text{R}_5\text{O}$ ,  $\text{R}_6\text{O}$  and  $\text{R}_7\text{O}$  to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and  $\text{R}_8$  is an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a ~~molecule~~) molecule.

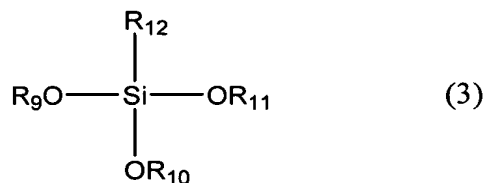
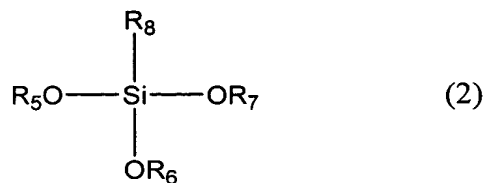
6. (Currently Amended) The coated material according to claim 1, wherein the surface is formed where, in addition to ~~the above-mentioned main component~~ formula 1, a coating solution containing a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 3 having two hydrolyzable substituents and two unhydrolyzable substituents is used as the ~~said~~ coating solution of a silane ~~type~~: type



(~~in the formula 3~~, wherein  $\text{R}_9$  and  $\text{R}_{11}$  may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of  $\text{R}_9\text{O}$  and  $\text{R}_{11}\text{O}$  to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and  $\text{R}_{10}$  and  $\text{R}_{12}$  each is an alkyl group, an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a ~~molecule~~) molecule.

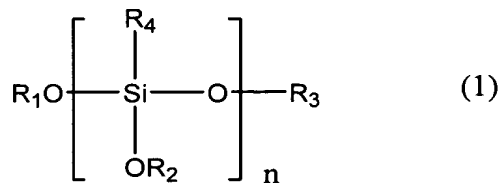
7. (Currently Amended) The coated material according to claim 1, wherein the surface is formed where, in addition to ~~the above-mentioned main component~~ formula 1, a coating

solution containing ~~the~~ a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 2 and ~~the~~ a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 3 is used as the said coating solution of a silane ~~type~~. type



(~~in the formula 2, wherein~~ R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of R<sub>5</sub>O, R<sub>6</sub>O and R<sub>7</sub>O to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and R<sub>8</sub> is an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a molecule; and in the formula 3, wherein R<sub>9</sub> and R<sub>11</sub> may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of R<sub>9</sub>O and R<sub>11</sub>O to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and R<sub>10</sub> and R<sub>12</sub> each is an alkyl group, an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a molecule) molecule.

8. (Currently Amended) A coating solution of a silane type for giving an appropriate strength and good light transmitting and water repelling properties to a fiber material where the said coating solution ~~contains the main component~~ comprises a compound represented by ~~the~~ above formula 1 and a catalyst for hardening/solidifying thereof.

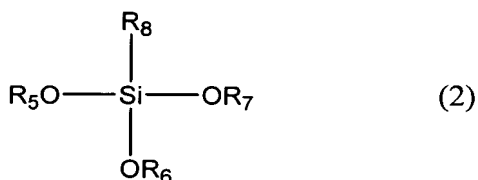


~~(in the formula 1, wherein~~ R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> may be same or different and each is hydrogen or an alkyl group having 1-4 carbon(s)) carbons and n = 2-10.

9. (Currently Amended) The coating solution according to claim 8, wherein the catalyst for hardening/solidifying the ~~said~~ coating solution of a silane type is a hydrolyzable organometallic compound.

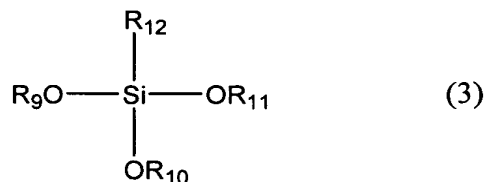
10. (Currently Amended) The coating solution according to claim 9, wherein the hydrolyzable organometallic compound is one or more organometallic ~~compound(s)~~ compounds selected from ~~a the~~ group consisting of titanium, zirconium, aluminum and tin.

11. (Currently Amended) The coating solution of claim 8, wherein the coating solution of a silane type contains a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 2 having three hydrolyzable substituents and one unhydrolyzable substituent in addition to the compound of formula 1 above main component.



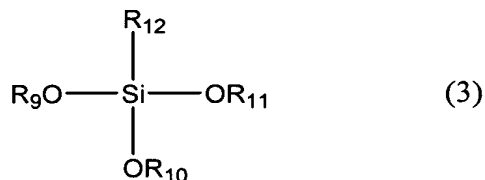
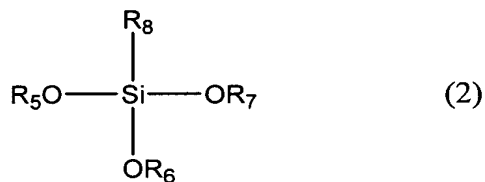
~~(in the formula 2, wherein~~ R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of R<sub>5</sub>O, R<sub>6</sub>O and R<sub>7</sub>O to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and R<sub>8</sub> is an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a molecule) molecule.

12. (Currently Amended) The coating solution of claim 8, wherein the coating solution of a silane type contains a compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 3 having two hydrolyzable substituents and two unhydrolyzable substituents in addition to the compound of formula 1 above main component.



(in the formula 3,  $R_9$  and  $R_{11}$  may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of  $R_9O$  and  $R_{11}O$  to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and  $R_{10}$  and  $R_{12}$  each is an alkyl group, an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a molecule)

13. (Currently Amended) The coating solution of claim 8, wherein the coating solution of a silane type contains ~~the a~~ compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 2 and ~~the a~~ compound represented by ~~the~~ formula 3 in addition to the compound of formula 1 ~~above~~ ~~main component.~~



~~(in the formula 2, wherein~~  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of  $R_5O$ ,  $R_6O$  and  $R_7O$  to Si is an oligomer comprising a siloxane bond; and  $R_8$  is an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a molecule; and ~~in the formula 3,~~ wherein  $R_9$  and  $R_{11}$  may be same or different and each is a monomer comprising hydrogen, an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; a bond of  $R_9O$  and  $R_{11}O$  to Si is an oligomer comprising

a siloxane bond; and  $R_{10}$  and  $R_{12}$  each is an alkyl group, an alkenyl group or a phenyl group which may contain an epoxy group or a glycidyl group in a ~~molecule~~ molecule.

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-13 have been amended.

The amendment of Claims 1-13 is supported by the corresponding claims as originally filed. Additional support for the amendment of Claims 1 and 8 can be found on page 12, line 3 to page 13, line 4 of the present specification.

No new matter has been entered by the present amendment.